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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a change in entity status in the present application from a small entity to a large entity. The original application was inadvertently filed as a small entity, with no intent to deceive.

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Accordingly, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the amount of \$744.00 to cover the additional fee in changing to a large entity, based on the October 1, 2003 fee schedule to Deposit Account Number 08-0750.

If any additional amounts are owed, or if the payment exceeds the amount due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 08-0750.

Respectfully submitted,

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